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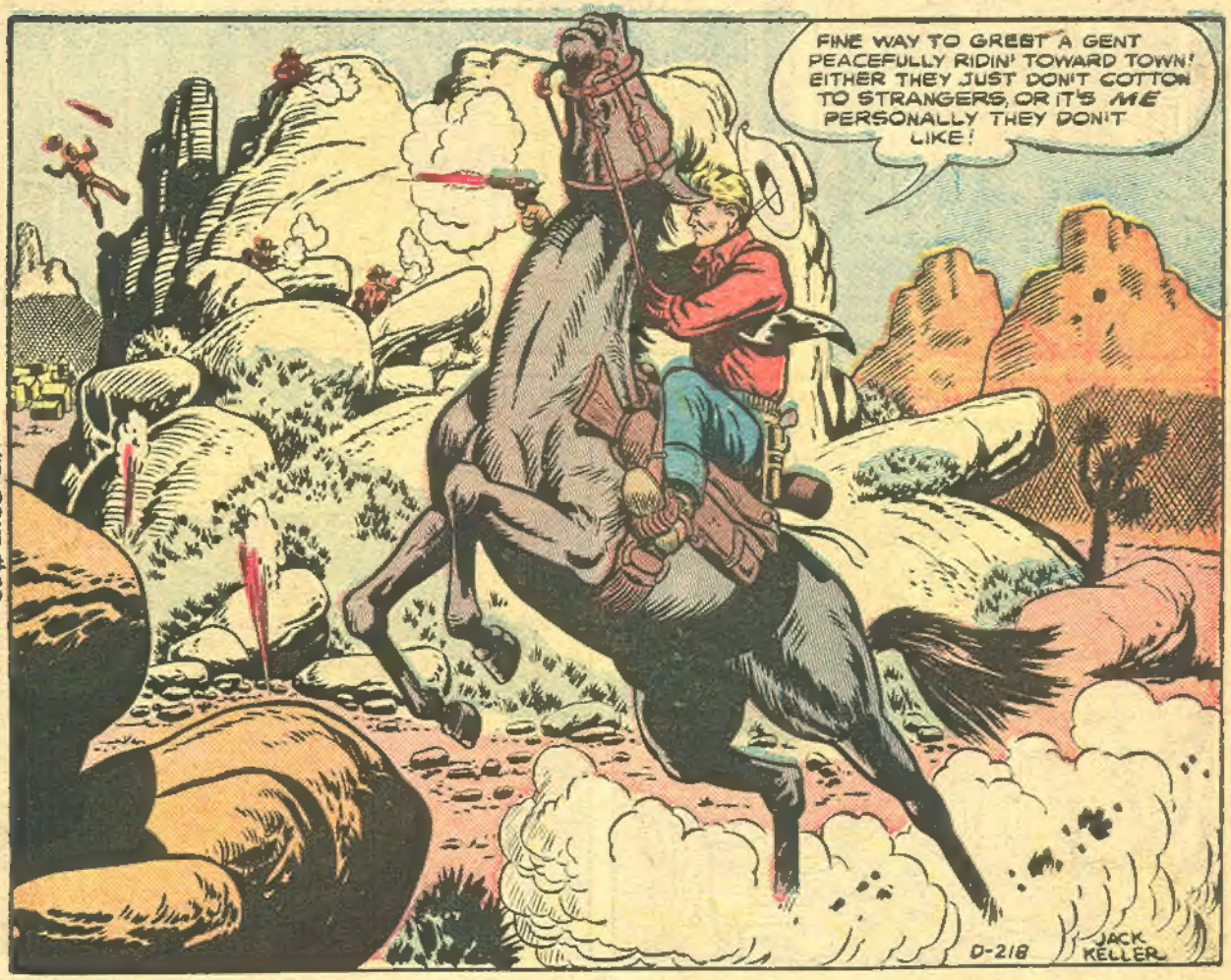
FINE WAY TO GREET A GENT PEACEFULLY RIDIN' TOWARD TOWN! EITHER THEY JUST DON'T COTTON TO STRANGERS, OR IT'S ME PERSONALLY THEY DON'T LIKE!
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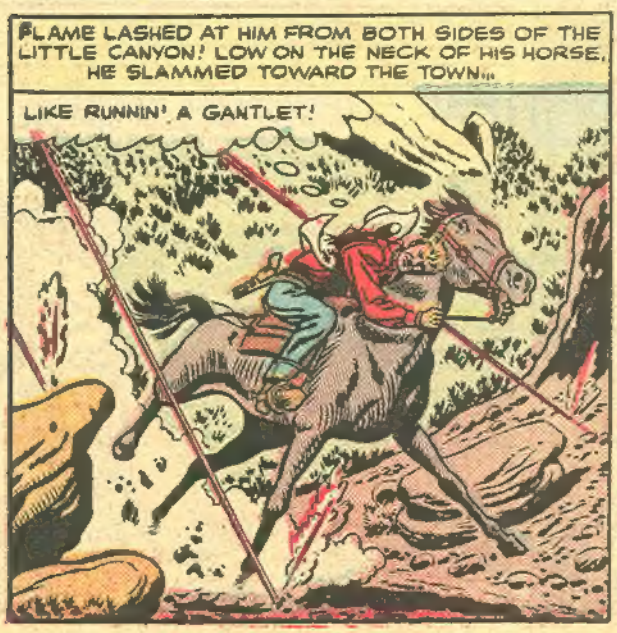
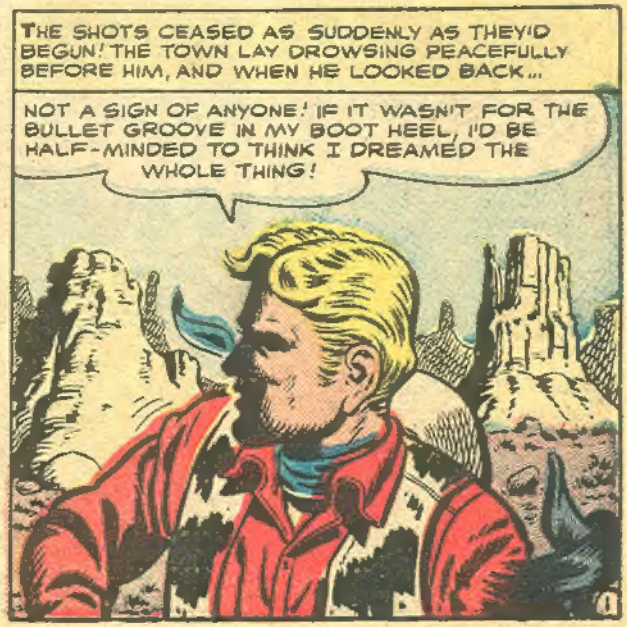
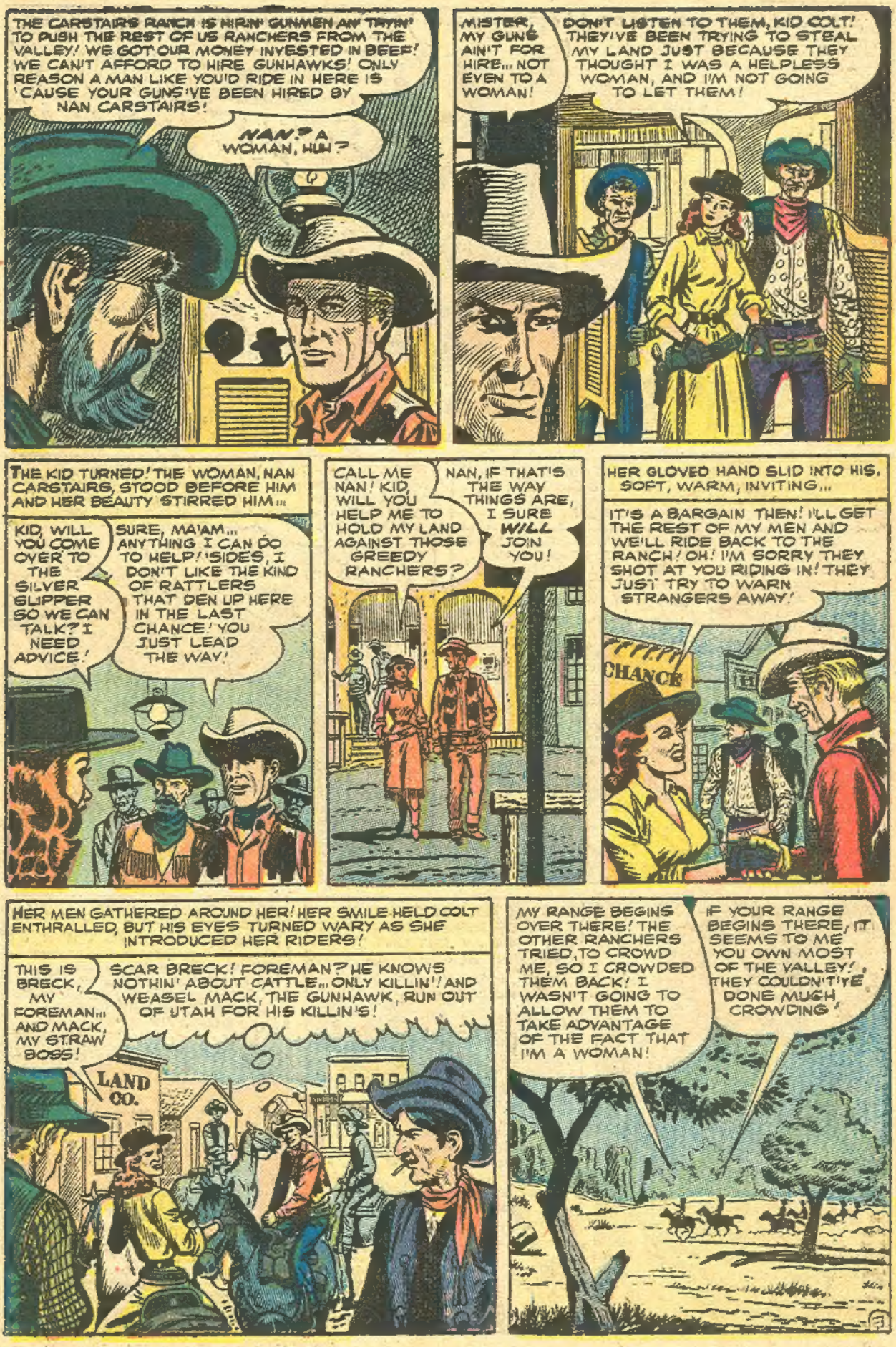
JACK KELLER

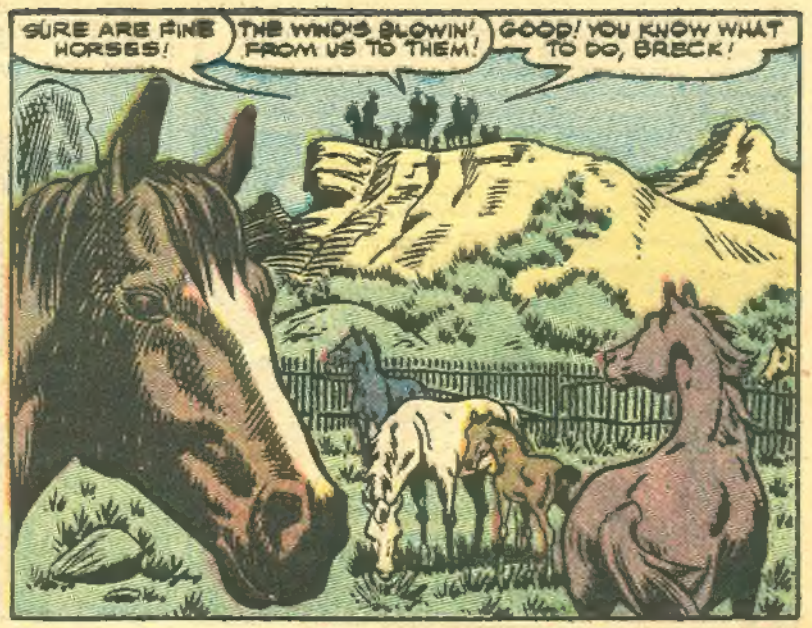

FLAME LASHED AT HIM FROM BOTH SIDES OF THE LITTLE CANYON! LOW ON THE NECK OF HIS HORSE, HE SLAMMED TOWARD THE TOWN...
LIKE RUNNIN' A GANTLET!

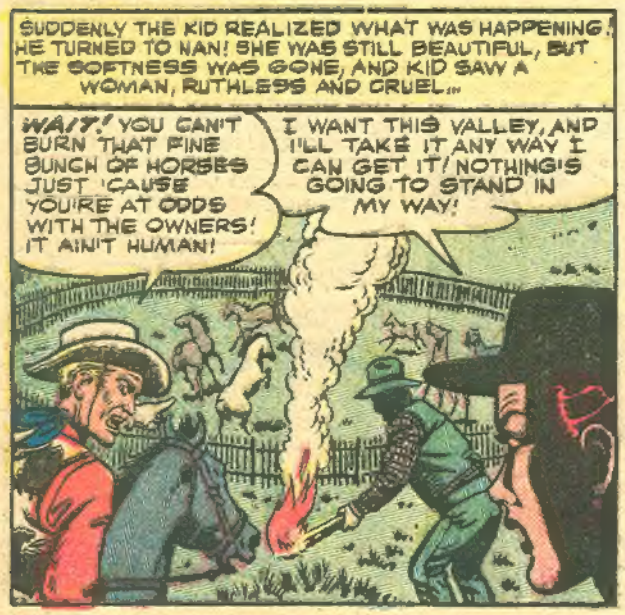

THE SHOTS CEASED AS SUDDENLY AS THEY'D BEGUN! THE TOWN LAY DROWSING PEACEFULLY BEFORE HIM, AND WHEN HE LOOKED BACK...
NOT A SIGN OF ANYONE! IF IT WASN'T FOR THE BULLET GROOVE IN MY BOOT HEEL, I'D BE HALF-MINDED TO THINK I DREAMED THE WHOLE THING!

SURE LOOKS PEACEFUL, BUT IF THAT'S THE WAY THEY GREET FOLKS, I GOT AN IDEA THIS TOWN IS A LOT MORE INTERESTIN' THAN IT LOOKS!
SALOON IS THE PLACE TO FIND OUT WHAT'S GOIN' ON! TWO SALOONS, ONE RIGHT OPPOSITE TO THE OTHER! WELL, RECKON I'LL DRIFT INTO THE LAST CHANCE... SEEMS APPROPRIATE AFTER THAT GREETIN' I GOT COMIN' IN!
SILVER SLIPPER
LAST CHANCE
HOTEL
RUSS, DID YOU HIRE A GUNNY FROM OUTSIDE?
YOU ALL KNOW I DIDN'T! HE'S A STRANGER TO ME!
THEN HE'S IN THE WRONG SALOON! ANOTHER ONE OF CARSTAIRS' HIRED KILLERS! RECKON I'LL STOMP HIM TO A PULP AN' SEND HIM OVER TO THE SILVER SLIPPER IN A GUNNY SACK!
THE STRANGER'S HANDS BLURRED AND TWIN COLTS APPEARED AS IF BY MAGIC!
DID YA SEE THAT DRAW? HE... HE'S KID COLT!
THAT'S RIGHT! I'M GETTIN' PLUMB FED UP WITH THIS TOWN'S BRAND OF GREETIN'! SUPPOSE SOMEBODY SPEAKS UP AN' ENLIGHTENS ME BEFORE I LET MY COLTS DO MY TALKIN' FOR ME!

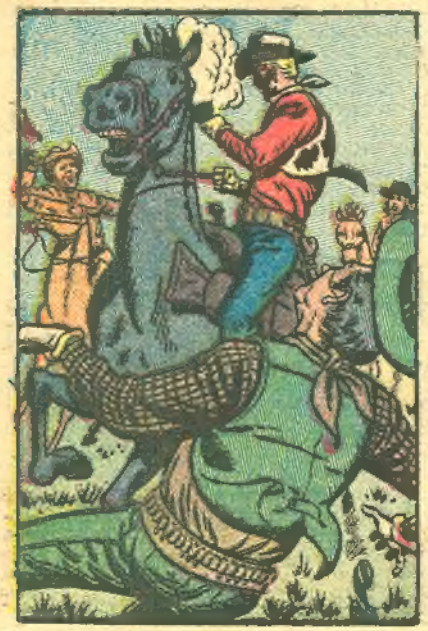

THE CARSTAIRS RANCH IS HIRIN' GUNMEN AN' TRYIN' TO PUSH THE REST OF US RANCHERS FROM THE VALLEY! WE GOT OUR MONEY INVESTED IN BEEF! WE CAN'T AFFORD TO HIRE GUNHAWKS! ONLY REASON A MAN LIKE YOU'D RIDE IN HERE IS 'CAUSE YOUR GUNS'VE BEEN HIRED BY NAN CARSTAIRS!
NAN? A WOMAN, HUH?
MISTER, MY GUNS AIN'T FOR HIRE... NOT EVEN TO A WOMAN!
DON'T LISTEN TO THEM, KID COLT! THEY'VE BEEN TRYING TO STEAL MY LAND JUST BECAUSE THEY THOUGHT I WAS A HELPLESS WOMAN, AND I'M NOT GOING TO LET THEM!
THE KID TURNED! THE WOMAN, NAN CARSTAIRS, STOOD BEFORE HIM AND HER BEAUTY STIRRED HIM...
KID, WILL YOU COME OVER TO THE SILVER SLIPPER SO WE CAN TALK? I NEED ADVICE!
SURE, MA'AM... ANYTHING I CAN DO TO HELP! 'SIDES, I DON'T LIKE THE KIND OF RATTLERS THAT DEN UP HERE IN THE LAST CHANCE! YOU JUST LEAD THE WAY!
CALL ME NAN! KID, WILL YOU HELP ME TO HOLD MY LAND AGAINST THOSE GREEDY RANCHERS?
NAN, IF THAT'S THE WAY THINGS ARE, I SURE WILL JOIN YOU!
HER GLOVED HAND SLID INTO HIS. SOFT, WARM, INVITING...
IT'S A BARGAIN THEN! I'LL GET THE REST OF MY MEN AND WE'LL RIDE BACK TO THE RANCH! OH! I'M SORRY THEY SHOT AT YOU RIDING IN! THEY JUST TRY TO WARN STRANGERS AWAY!
CHANCE
HER MEN GATHERED AROUND HER! HER SMILE HELD COLT ENTHRALLED, BUT HIS EYES TURNED WARY AS SHE INTRODUCED HER RIDERS!
THIS IS BRECK, MY FOREMAN... AND MACK, MY STRAW BOSS!
SCAR BRECK! FOREMAN? HE KNOWS NOTHIN' ABOUT CATTLE... ONLY KILLIN'! AND WEASEL MACK, THE GUNHAWK, RUN OUT OF UTAH FOR HIS KILLIN'S!
LAND CO.
MY RANGE BEGINS OVER THERE! THE OTHER RANCHERS TRIED TO CROWD ME, SO I CROWDED THEM BACK! I WASN'T GOING TO ALLOW THEM TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE FACT THAT I'M A WOMAN!
IF YOUR RANGE BEGINS THERE, IT SEEMS TO ME YOU OWN MOST OF THE VALLEY! THEY COULDN'T'VE DONE MUCH CROWDING!

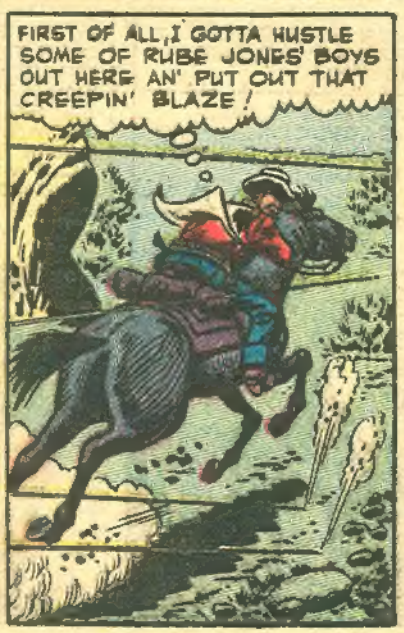
THAT'S BECAUSE I DIDN'T LET THEM! I CROWDED THEM INSTEAD! FIGHT FIRE WITH FIRE!
SPEAKIN' OF FIRE, BOSS... RUBE'S GOT HIS HERD OF BLOODED HORSES CORRALLED OVER THE RIDGE THERE, IN HIGH, DRY GRASS!

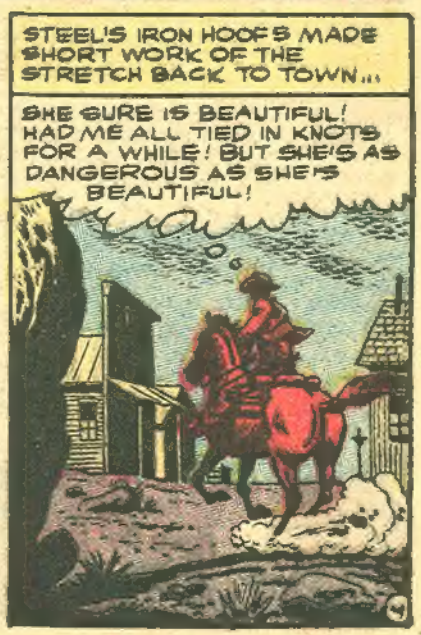

SURE ARE FINE HORSES!
THE WIND'S BLOWIN' FROM US TO THEM!
GOOD! YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO, BRECK!


SUDDENLY THE KID REALIZED WHAT WAS HAPPENING! HE TURNED TO NAN! SHE WAS STILL BEAUTIFUL, BUT THE SOFTNESS WAS GONE, AND KID SAW A WOMAN, RUTHLESS AND CRUEL...
WAIT! YOU CAN'T BURN THAT FINE BUNCH OF HORSES JUST 'CAUSE YOU'RE AT ODDS WITH THE OWNERS! IT AIN'T HUMAN!
I WANT THIS VALLEY, AND I'LL TAKE IT ANY WAY I CAN GET IT! NOTHING'S GOING TO STAND IN MY WAY!

RECKON I MADE A MISTAKE, MA'AM! YOU LIED A BIT TO ME! THIS AIN'T MY KIND OF FIGHT!
STOP HIM, BRECK! NO MAN LEAVES WITHOUT MY CONSENT! THE OTHER RANCHERS WILL HIRE HIM!




FIRST OF ALL, I GOTTA HUSTLE SOME OF RUBE JONES' BOYS OUT HERE AN' PUT OUT THAT CREEPIN' BLAZE!


STEEL'S IRON HOOFS MADE SHORT WORK OF THE STRETCH BACK TO TOWN...
SHE SURE IS BEAUTIFUL! HAD ME ALL TIED IN KNOTS FOR A WHILE! BUT SHE'S AS DANGEROUS AS SHE'S BEAUTIFUL!

WATCH IT, MEN!
RELAX, HOMBRE! I RECKON I OWE YOU FELLERS AN APOLOGY! I FIGGERED YOU WERE TRYIN' TO PUSH A POOR, HELPLESS WOMAN AROUND! NOW I KNOW SHE ISN'T POOR IF SHE COULD HIRE THOSE GUNHAWKS! SHE'S THE ONE WHO'S BEEN DOIN' THE PUSHIN'... AN' SHE SURE ISN'T HELPLESS!
SILVER SLIPPER
WHAT'D YUH COME BACK FOR?
TO TELL YA TO HUSTLE YOUR BOYS OUT TO YOUR CORRAL AN' SAVE YOUR STOCK! THEY FIRED THE DRY GRASS...
I'LL SEND SOME OF THE BOYS! BUT WE DON'T WANT YER HELP, KID! NAH! LL KNOW YOU'RE OFFERING YOUR GUNS TO US, AN' THAT'LL GIVE HER AN EXCUSE TO SMASH US!
THE CARSTAIRS BUNCH ARE RIDIN' IN!
WE FIGGERED TO PALAVER WITH HER! MAYBE WE KIN REACH SOME KINDA AGREEMENT!
THAT'S RIGHT! BUT YOU CROSSED HER AN' SHE'S OUT TO GET YUH! WE DON'T WANT NO PART OF IT!
LAST CHANCE
YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN, MISTER!
YOU STUPID, COWARDLY FOOLS! I WOULDN'T WANT YOU SIDIN' WITH ME NOW IF YOU OFFERED IT!
WE'RE OUT OF THIS!
THERE HE IS! GET HIM!
THE KID DIDN'T CONSIDER THE ODDS! SAVAGE, COLD ANGER RUSHED AT HIM, AND AS HOT LEAD WHIPPED CLOSE, HE BECAME A RUTHLESS KILLING MACHINE!

HIS GUNS RIPPED OUT A ROAR OF DEATH, THE REPORTS SO RAPID THEY BLENDED INTO ONE LONG SMASH! THIS WAS THE MAN... THIS WAS THE KIND OF GUN PERFORMANCE THAT HAD MADE HIS NAME LEGEND IN THE GREAT WEST!

BRECK! MACK! COME AND GET IT, YOU RATTLERS!

I RECKON THAT'S ALL... THE END OF THE CARSTAIRS RIDERS!

NOT ALL... NOT YET!

WHRAM!

YOU... YOU...

YOU SURE ARE BEAUTIFUL, MA'AM!

JUST ONE KISS... TO REMEMBER YOU BY!

HE DID IT... ALL BY HISSELF, HE DOWNED 'EM! THE CARSTAIRS POWER'S BROKEN! THE VALLEY'S *OURS!*

RUBE JONES, JUST BECAUSE I'M A HELPLESS WOMAN, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO ROB ME, ARE YOU? YOU WON'T LET THE OTHERS TAKE MY RANCH AWAY FROM ME? I'VE ALWAYS ADMIRED YOU, RUBE!

THE SOFTNESS HAD COME INTO HER VOICE AGAIN! KID COLT KNEW WHAT HER BEAUTY COULD DO TO A MAN! HE SAW THE LOOK ON RUBE'S FACE ...AND HE TURNED HIS HORSE AND RODE AWAY FROM THE VALLEY...

THAT'S ALL! SHE'LL TRY TO TWIST 'IM AROUND HER LITTLE FINGER! SHE SWORE SHE'D HAVE A VALLEY... BUT I RECKON RUBE'S A LOT SMARTER NOW! ONLY SHE SURE IS BEAUTIFUL! BUT SO ARE *YOU,* STEEL OL' HOSS, AN' YOU'RE A LOT LESS DANGEROUS TO A MAN! RECKON I'LL STICK TO *YOU!*

ATLAS FOR THE BEST IN WESTERN THRILLS LOOK FOR THE ATLAS SEAL ON THE COVER! ATLAS

THERE'S EVERYTHING EVERY BOY WANTS IN...

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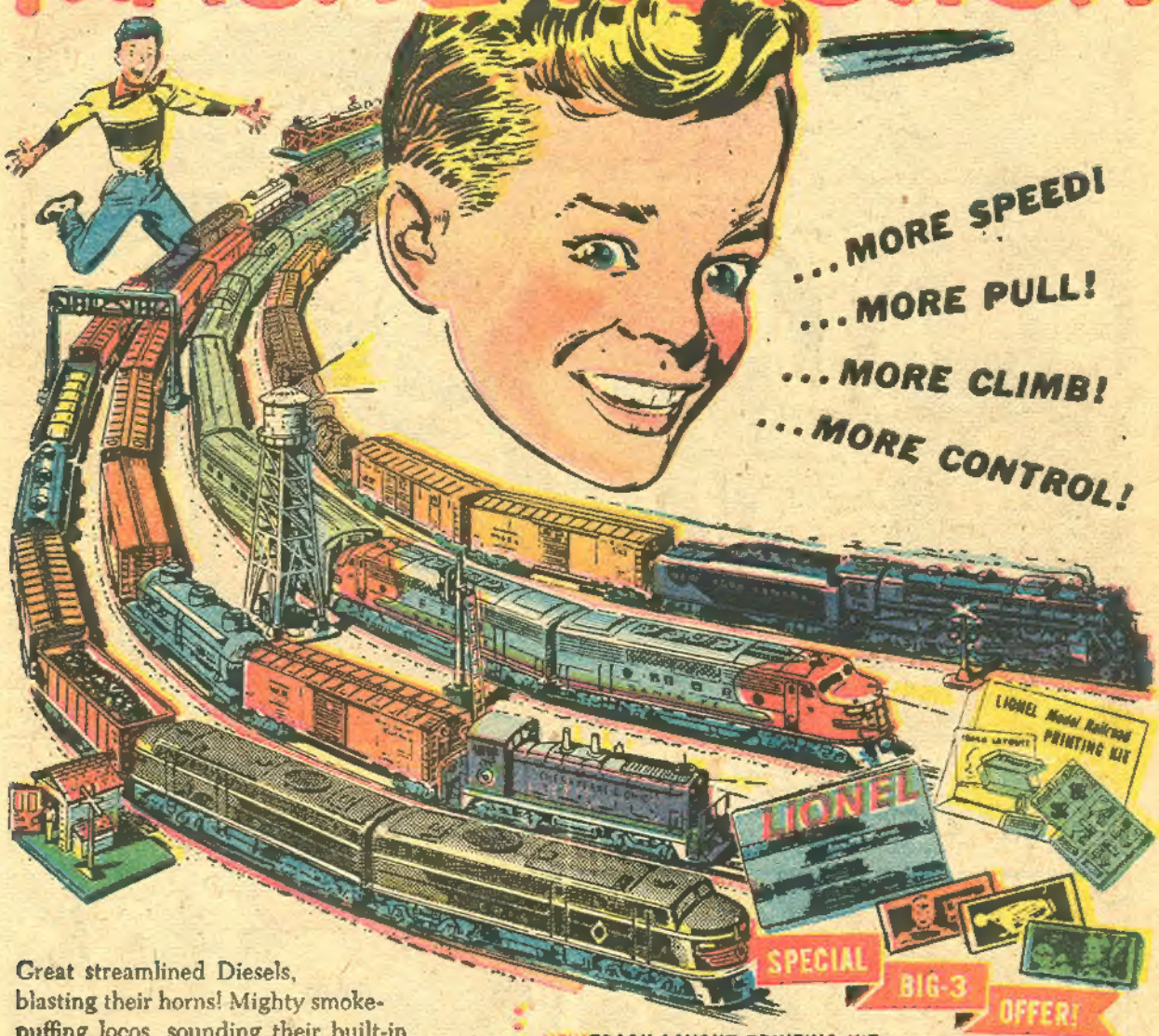

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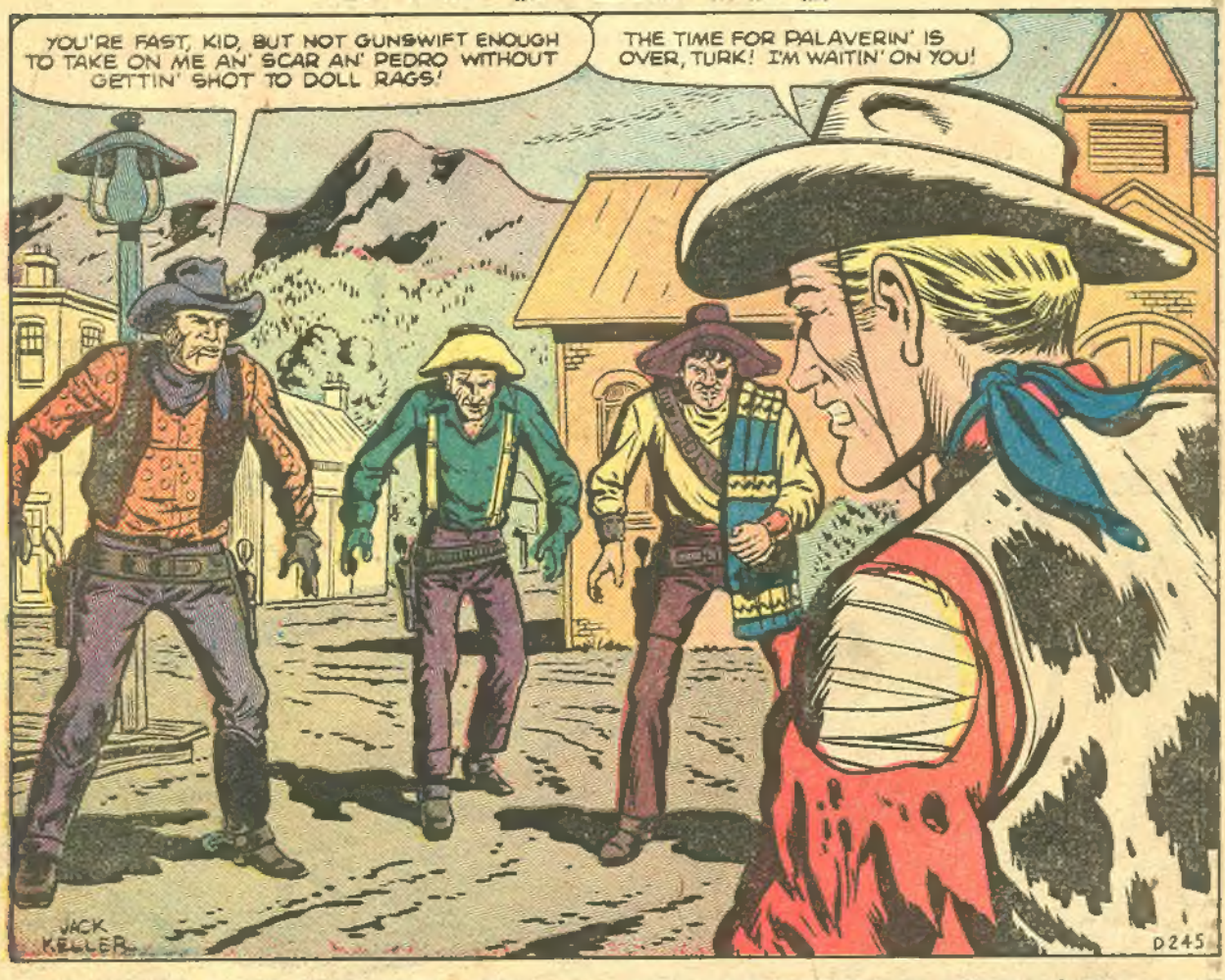
YOU'RE FAST, KID, BUT NOT GUNSWIFT ENOUGH TO TAKE ON ME AN' SCAR AN' PEDRO WITHOUT GETTIN' SHOT TO DOLL RAGS!
THE TIME FOR PALAVERIN' IS OVER, TURK! I'M WAITIN' ON YOU!
JACK KELLER
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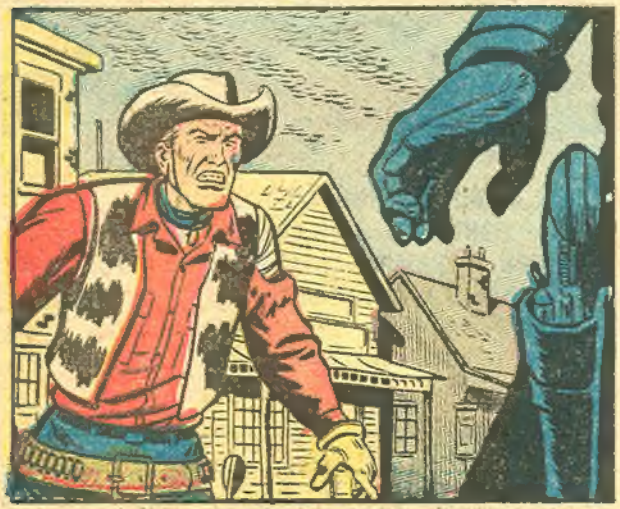
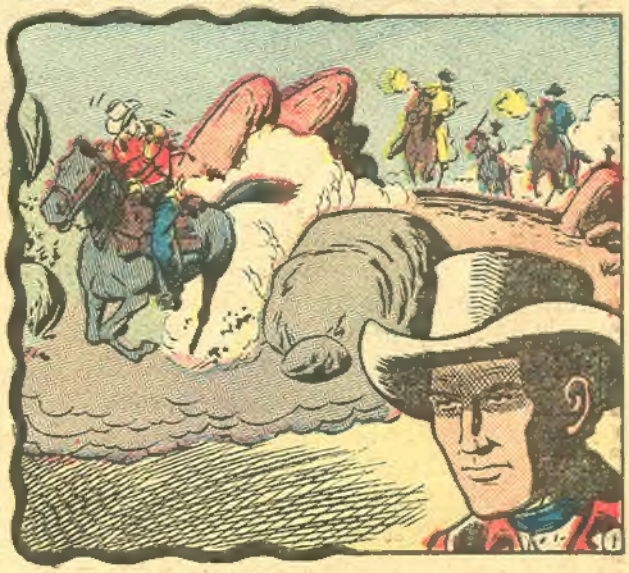
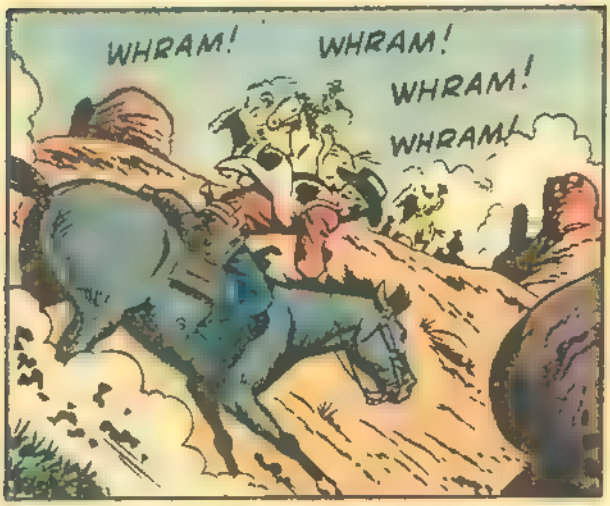
THE KID STANDS TENSE, EVERY SENSE ALERT, WATCHING FOR THAT TELLTALE HITCH OF THE SHOULDER THAT WILL WARN HIM WHEN THE KILLERS START THEIR DRAW! SILENCE ENVELOPES THE STREET IN OMINOUS EXPECTANCY...



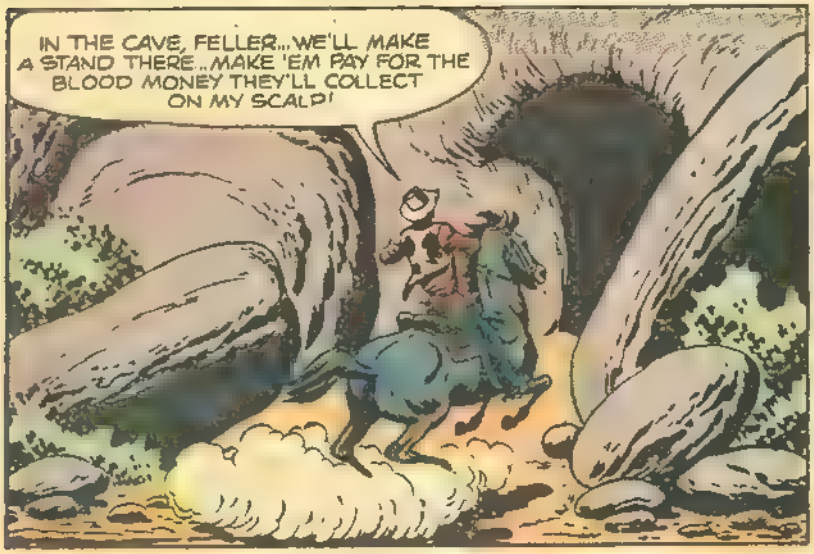
AND IN THAT SPLIT SECOND BEFORE VIOLENCE FLAMES, KID COLT'S MIND RACES BACK TO THE BEGINNING... BACK TO THE TIME HE FIRST SAW PEACEFUL VALLEY...



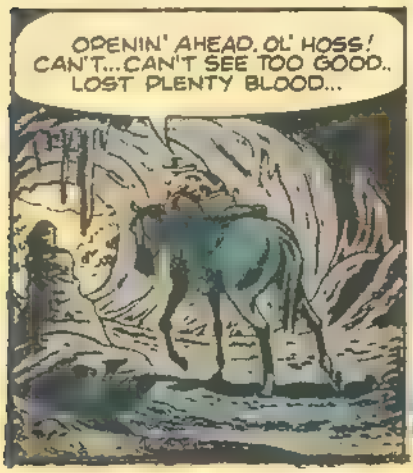
IT SEEMED ALMOST LIKE A DREAM NOW.. SLAMMING UP THOSE SHALE-STREWN MOUNTAINS' WOUNDED, SICK, HIS HORSE STAGGERING BENEATH HIM, AND THAT POSSE CLOSE BEHIND, OUT AFTER THE REWARD POSTED ON THE HEAD OF KID COLT, OUTLAW.



PAIN FOG HAD BLINDED HIM FOR A MOMENT, THEN HUGE ROCKS HAD LOOMED IN FRONT OF HIM AND HE SAW THE OPEN MOUTH OF THE CAVE..

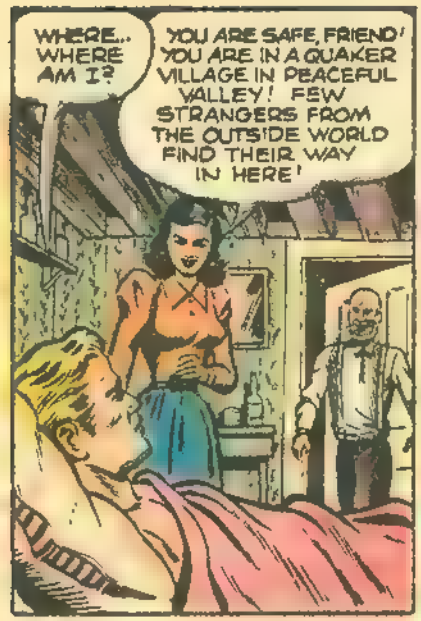


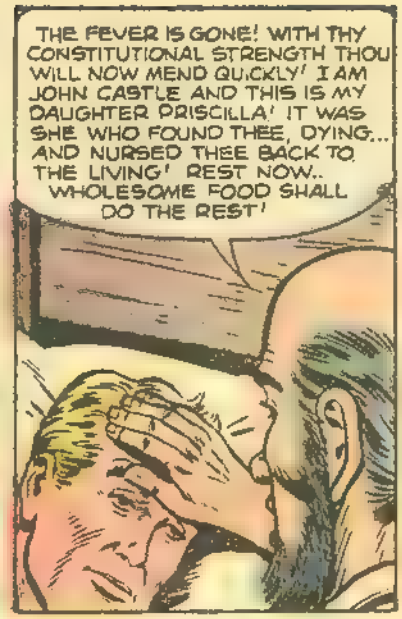
STEEL'S HOOFS CLICKED ON THE ROCK FLOOR, ECHO NG THROUGH THE CAVE! BEHIND HIM THE KID HEARD A YELL AND THE SOUND OF HORSES SLAMMING PAST! THE POSSE HAD MISSED THE CAVE MOUTH...



FOR A MOMENT HE'D FELT THE WARMTH OF SUN ON HIS BACK! THEN THE WORLD SPUN CRAZILY, THE GROUND HAD COME UP TO MEET H M, AND HE D PLUNGED DOWN ..INTO A WELL OF BLACK PAIN..

IT SEEMED LIKE AGES PASSED BEFORE HE OPENED HIS EYES AGAIN AND SAW THE ANGEL FACE AND HEARD THE SWEET VOICE

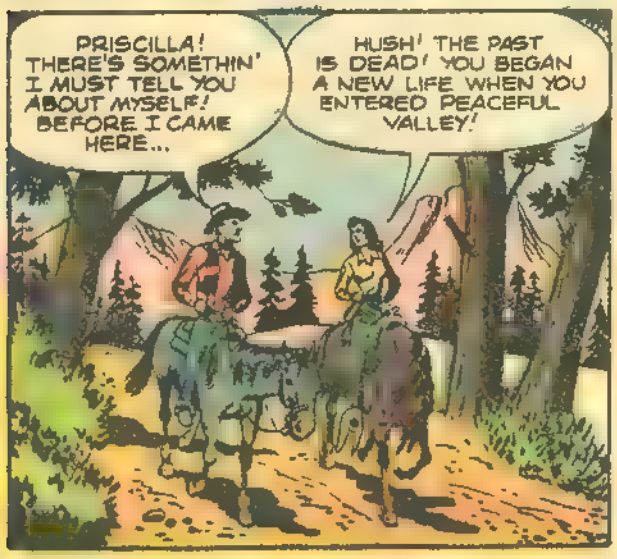

WHERE... WHERE AM I?
YOU ARE SAFE, FRIEND! YOU ARE IN A QUAKER VILLAGE IN PEACEFUL VALLEY! FEW STRANGERS FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD FIND THEIR WAY IN HERE!

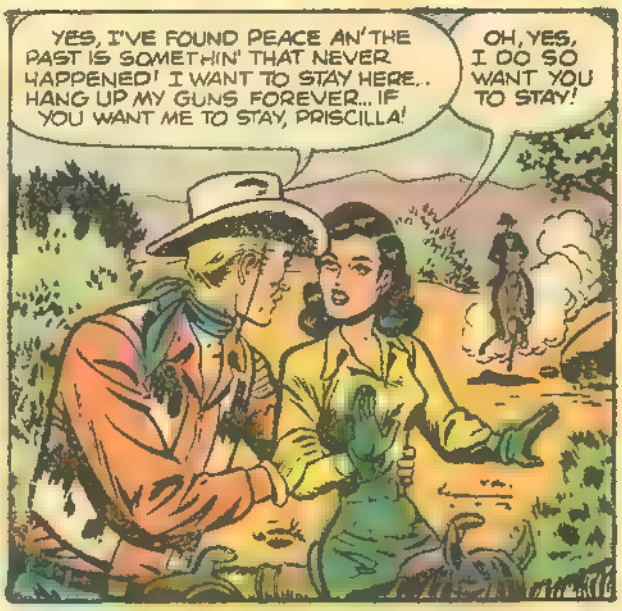

THE FEVER IS GONE! WITH THY CONSTITUTIONAL STRENGTH THOU WILL NOW MEND QUICKLY! I AM JOHN CASTLE AND THIS IS MY DAUGHTER PRISCILLA! IT WAS SHE WHO FOUND THEE, DYING... AND NURSED THEE BACK TO THE LIVING! REST NOW.. WHOLESOME FOOD SHALL DO THE REST!

A FEW DAYS LATER, HE'D BEEN WELL ENOUGH TO WALK IN THE SUNSHINE..

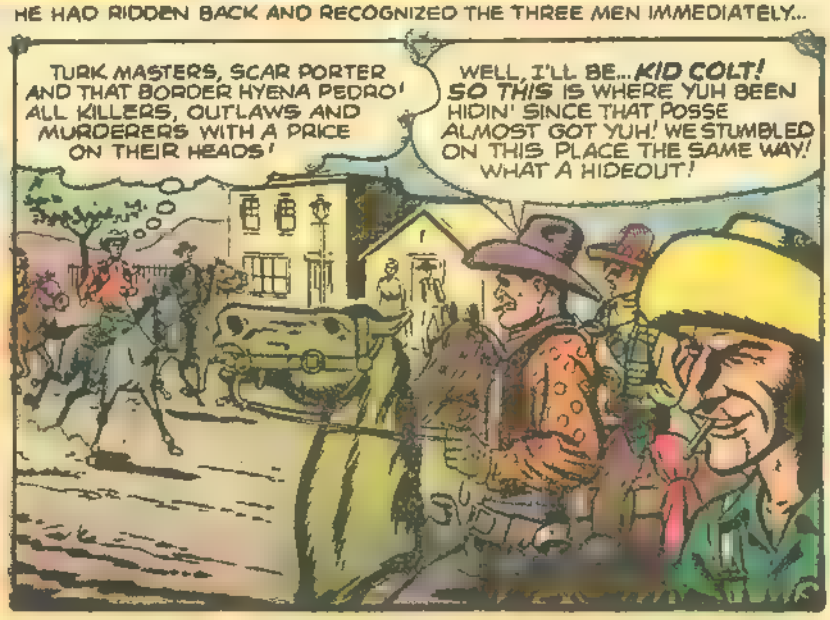
MY GUNS! I FEEL NAKED WITHOUT THEM!
THOU WILL NOT NEED THEM HERE IN PEACEFUL VALLEY! WE QUAKERS DO NOT BELIEVE IN VIOLENCE! THAT IS WHY WE LEFT THE PLACES WHERE MEN GATHER...AND FOUNDED OUR LITTLE VILLAGE IN THIS HIDDEN VALLEY! HERE WE ABIDE IN PEACE!

HE HAD REGAINED HIS STRENGTH RAPIDLY! THERE HAD BEEN LONG RIDES IN THE COMPANY OF LOVELY PRISCILLA!


PRISCILLA! THERE'S SOMETHIN' I MUST TELL YOU ABOUT MYSELF! BEFORE I CAME HERE...
HUSH! THE PAST IS DEAD! YOU BEGAN A NEW LIFE WHEN YOU ENTERED PEACEFUL VALLEY!


YES, I'VE FOUND PEACE AN' THE PAST IS SOMETHIN' THAT NEVER HAPPENED! I WANT TO STAY HERE.. HANG UP MY GUNS FOREVER... IF YOU WANT ME TO STAY, PRISCILLA!
OH, YES, I DO SO WANT YOU TO STAY!

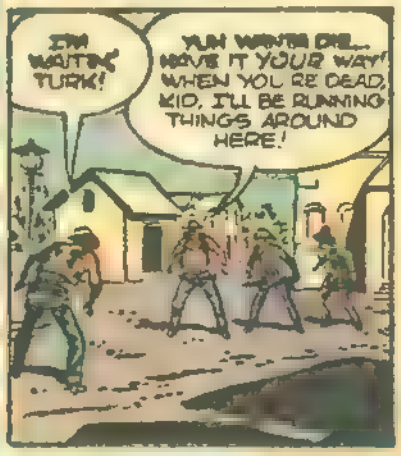
HE HAD RIDDEN BACK AND RECOGNIZED THE THREE MEN IMMEDIATELY...


TURK MASTERS, SCAR PORTER AND THAT BORDER HYENA PEDRO! ALL KILLERS, OUTLAWS AND MURDERERS WITH A PRICE ON THEIR HEADS!
WELL, I'LL BE... KID COLT! SO THIS IS WHERE YUH BEEN HIDIN' SINCE THAT POSSE ALMOST GOT YUH! WE STUMBLED ON THIS PLACE THE SAME WAY! WHAT A HIDEOUT!

KID, US FOUR CAN MAKE THIS PLACE OUR ROBBER'S ROOST! THE LAWMEN WON'T FIND IT...AN' WE WON'T HAVE NO TROUBLE FROM THESE HERE QUAKER FOLKS! THEY'RE TOO PEACEFUL OR YELLER TO FIGHT! IT'S A PERFECT SETUP!
HE HADN'T ANSWERED. HE'D TURNED HIS HORSE AND RODEN BACK TO JOHN'S HOME, HIS FACE SET AND STONEY.
WHAT'S WRONG? WHO ARE THOSE MEN?
SNAKES... IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN! SNAKES THAT MUST BE CRUSHED OR THEY'LL TAINT PEACEFUL VALLEY WITH THEIR VENOM!
NO! NOT BY THE GUN! THERE MUST BE ANOTHER WAY!
THERE'S NO OTHER WAY! THIS S MY WAY ALWAYS HAS BEEN! I'M KID COLT, AN OUTLAW LIKE THEY ARE! I'VE KILLED MY SHARE OF MEN I'VE NEVER BEEN A MAN OF PEACE...ONLY OF VIOLENCE!
I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU'VE BEEN! YOU CAN START ANEW! HANG UP YOUR GUNS. THIS IS THE TEST! I COULD NEVER LOVE A MAN OF BLOOD!
DON'T DO THIS, SON! WE WILL LOSE THEE NO MATTER WHAT THE OUTCOME!
I'VE GOT TO DO IT!
HE HAD HEARD THE GIRL SOFTLY CRYING BEHIND HIM AS HE STALKED AWAY! A DREAM WAS DYING FOR HIM THEN..
THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND SUCH MEN AS TURK SCAR AND PEDRO! THEY'D MAKE THIS TOWN A HANGOUT FOR DEGRADED KILLERS AND OUTLAWS!
THERE'D BE SHOOTIN' IN THE STREETS DRUNKEN BRAWLS! NO WOMAN WOULD BE SAFE, AND THESE PEACEFUL PEOPLE WOULDN'T HAVE A CHANCE OF STANDIN' AGAINST THEM! I'VE LOST PRISCILLA AN' THE LIFE I DREAMED OF BY WHAT I'M ABOUT TO DO, BUT I'LL ALSO SAVE HER AN HER PEOPLE!
WHAT'S EATIN' YUH KID? WHAT DO YUH SAY TO MY PROPOSITION?
I SAY NO!
THE HOG WANTS THE HIDEOUT ALL TO HIMSELF! OR MAYBE THERE'S A MINE HERE OR SOMETHIN'!

I THERUK ALWAS THE SENIOR KEEP HAS GOOD THEENG HERE WEETH THE PRETTY SENORITA AN...
SHUT UP, PEDRO! LOOK, KID, NO FENSE IS GETTIN' WET UP ABOUT THIS! LET'S TALK IT OVER!

THAT'S THE WAY IT HAD BEEN! NOW THE KID STANDS IN THE DUSTY HEAT OF THE QUIET STREET, FACING THE THREE PRACTICED GUNHAWKS, WAITING FOR THAT TINY MUSCLE TWITCH THAT WILL SIGNAL THE BEGINNING OF... DEATH!



THE STREET IS QUIET AGAIN! IT'S ALL OVER! SLOWLY KID COLT TURNS TO HIS HORSE...

IT WOULD ALWAYS BE LIKE THIS! TROUBLE FOLLOWS ME AND IN TIME IT WOULD BREAK HER HEART! IT'S BETTER THIS WAY SHE DESERVES MORE THAN A WANTED OUTLAW LIKE ME! SHE'LL FORGET... BUT ME... I NEVER WILL!

HE RIDES AWAY FROM PEACEFUL VALLEY, SICK IN HEART AND BODY! HE RIDES TOWARD A FUTURE THAT WAS TO HAVE A WONDERFUL DREAM BUT WHICH TURNED TO THE OLD FAMILIAR PATTERN BY ONE MOMENT OF VIOLENCE! HE RIDES INTO THE SETTING SUN AND THE NIGHT THAT LURKS BEHIND IT!

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KILLER'S CHALLENGE

SHERIFF John Barker eased his weary frame into the wicker chair in the jailhouse office and moaned.

"Oh-h, my rheumatism . . ."

Deputy Ron Hawkins looked at him worriedly. "I tell you, John. You got no call to tangle with Del Marino, in that condition. You may still be one of the fastest men with a .45, but Marino's heard about your rheumatics, and he'll—sure as shootin'—get you into a gunfight."

"It's all right, Ron," groaned Sheriff Barker. "The people of this Pitkin County are payin' me to clean up this town. I'm doin' it. All that's left is to get Marino behind bars, and I'll—Oh-h my leg! I'll finish the job if it kills me."

The elderly, grey-haired lawman smiled sheepishly at the deputy. There was the sound of footsteps on the boardwalk out front, and then a knock on the door.

"Come in!"

The door opened and a citizen's committee walked in. One red-faced, elegantly dressed man stepped forward.

"Yes, Mayor?" said Sheriff Barker, rubbing his left shoulder. "What can I do for you?"

"A-hem. Mr. Barker, the people of this town are very concerned about you. We feel that you've done more than enough to earn the fee which we paid you to clean up Pitkin County. A man in your condition should not face a snake-eyed, crooked gambler like Del Marino. I—"

"Just a minute," interrupted the sheriff, holding up his hand for silence. "Nobody, but nobody, is goin' to say that John Barker got paid to tame a town, and didn't finish the job. You people say that Marino runs a crooked gambling joint? Okay, I aim to clean that out too."

"But—"

"No but's. Uh! I—uh!—aim to put Marino behind bars. Uh! Ron, get me that bottle of liniment, will you?"

The deputy brought the bottle over. Barker uncorked it and the sharp smell quickly pervaded the entire office.

The mayor wiped his sweaty beet-face with a large red bandana. "Won't you reconsider, Sheriff? It's all over town about your rheumatic attack. Marino knows, surely, and he'll force you into a gunfight."

Barker shook his head. "I can still handle Betsy, here." He patted the gunbelt that lay on top of the rolltop desk. "Del Marino better look to his guns."

The congregation left. Half an hour later, Deputy Ron Hawkins helped the sheriff strap on his guns, and followed close on his heels as he headed out to Marino's *Three Deuces Saloon.*

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Del Marino leaned against the bar and tossed off a shot of whiskey. His guns were strapped on, tied low on his thighs. He was a handsome, slick character, noted for selling watered whiskey, and running a crooked gambling joint. One of his men walked up to him.

"I followed the committee like you said, and listened outside. The old coot is still going to come for you. He told them that he intended to finish any job that he started, and that means the *Three Deuces.*

"I'm not worried," said Marino.

"He's a good man with a gun," said the cowboy.

"Yeah, but he's all tied up in knots with his rheumatism."

"What if he just comes to take you in, and doesn't draw?"

"He will. I'll pick an argument with him."

The cowboy shook his head, worriedly. He drank up the jigger of whiskey that was placed on the counter for him, and coughed a couple of times.

"I dunno," he said. "That Barker is a cunning old fox. He's got a reputation that outlaws — even south of the *Rio Grande* — worry about; tamed more cowtowns than you and me got hair on our heads. I dunno."

Del Marino tapped with his fingers on the hardwood coun-

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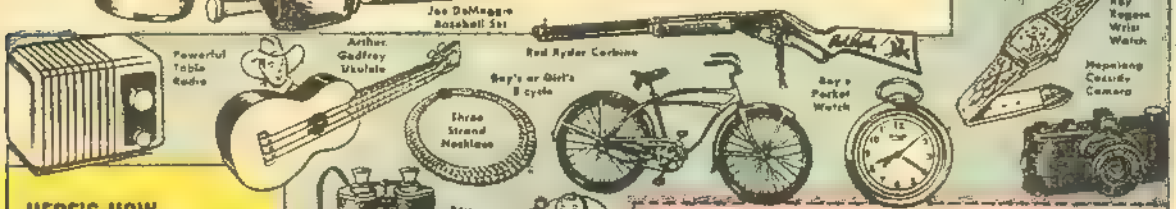

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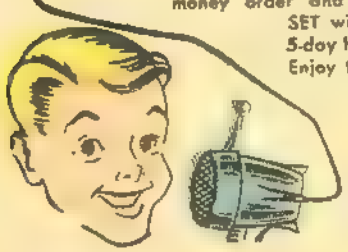

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ter. He tested the draw of his right Colt a few times, and then pulled the thong tighter around his muscled thigh. He checked the barrels of both guns and walked over to the empty faro table to wait.

The cowboy sat down next to him.

"How you going to pick a fight?" he asked his boss.

"When he accuses me of running a crooked house, I'll call him a liar, and tell him to draw."

"What if he don't?"

"He will."

The cowboy scratched his head and looked around the saloon. It was only three o'clock and the place was nearly empty. Chairs were stacked one on the other on the tables. An old hand was mopping up the floor. About fifteen minutes later, one of Marino's card-dealers came bursting into the saloon, breathless.

"He's acoming. I—I just saw him leave the jailhouse."

Marino jumped to his feet. "Was he wearing his guns?"

"Yeah. And had his deputy with him."

Marino walked over to the bartender.

"Give me a shot of whiskey."

"But boss—"

"You heard me!"

He slugged it down, and stood there tense. Then he relaxed and smiled at his man. "It's all right. Don't worry. I can handle him."

The cowboy nodded his head, and swallowed hard. "Yeah. Sure."

The seconds ticked by slowly, and Del Marino waited for the new sheriff of Pitkin County to arrive. Ten minutes later the batwing doors swung open.

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Sheriff John Barker walked stiffly into the *Three Deuces Saloon*. Behind him was his deputy. He walked up to the counter and ordered a whiskey. He did not look at Del Marino, but just stood there with one heel on the railing.

"Well," shouted Marino, "what are you waiting for?"

"You addressing me?" said

Barker.

"Yeah. People've been saying that I run a crooked gambling-house, and I say it's a lie. If you say so, you're a rotten liar. I—"

"Of course," said the sheriff, mildly. "I agree with you."

"If you think you're going to take me in for that you'd better go for your gun. I'm honest."

"I didn't say anything about you being crooked," said the sheriff. He was scratching his grey-hair with his gun-hand.

Marino noticed this. A man who was going to pull a gun, would never have his hand so far away from the butt of his .45.

The sheriff went on: "But I am taking you in for murder. I happen also to be a U.S. Marshall, and before I came here, I traced that Bonanza City murder straight to your guns. You'd better come peaceable."

Marino figured his chances. A rheumatic old sheriff, whose hand was a long ways from his gun. He drew.

He never cleared leather.

The elderly sheriff put a bullet between his eyes, with a hideout derringer which had been palmed in his left hand. The man hit the floor with a crash. He covered the other men, now, with his Colt which he drew.

"You see boys, it just took a little bit of sleight-of-hand. I used to be interested in magic. Make 'em look at your gun-hand empty, while you really got something in the other."

Ron said: "But you moved so lightning fast."

"That was another idea of mine. Good acting, huh? Of course I never had rheumatism in my whole life. So you can get that smelly liniment out of the office." He rounded up the rest of the crew, and sent them off to jail.

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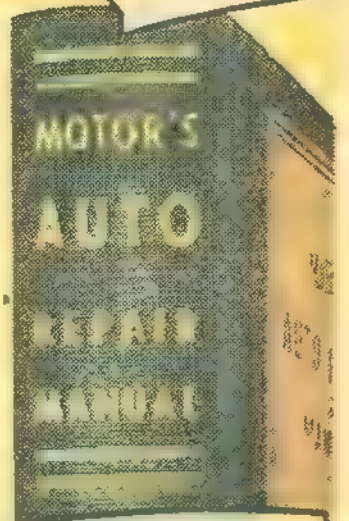

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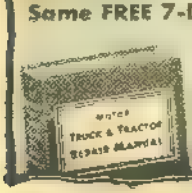

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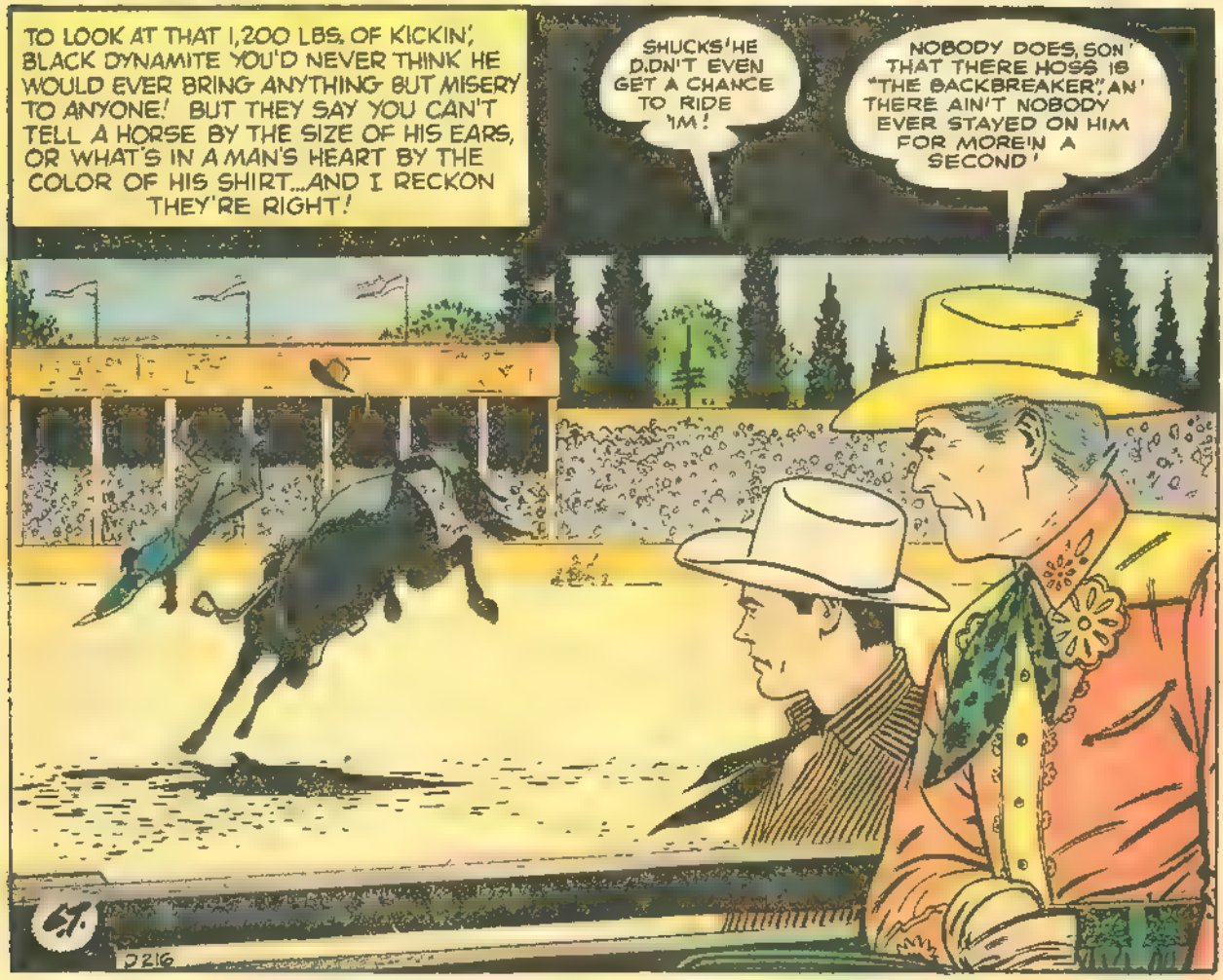
TO LOOK AT THAT 1,200 LBS. OF KICKIN', BLACK DYNAMITE YOU'D NEVER THINK HE WOULD EVER BRING ANYTHING BUT MISERY TO ANYONE! BUT THEY SAY YOU CAN'T TELL A HORSE BY THE SIZE OF HIS EARS, OR WHAT'S IN A MAN'S HEART BY THE COLOR OF HIS SHIRT...AND I RECKON THEY'RE RIGHT!
SHUCKS! HE D.DN'T EVEN GET A CHANCE TO RIDE 'IM!
NOBODY DOES, SON! THAT THERE HOSS IS "THE BACKBREAKER", AN' THERE AIN'T NOBODY EVER STAYED ON HIM FOR MORE'N A SECOND!
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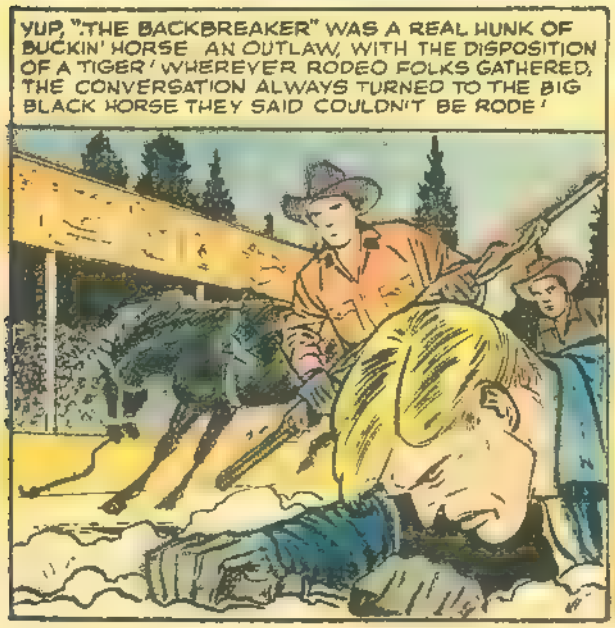
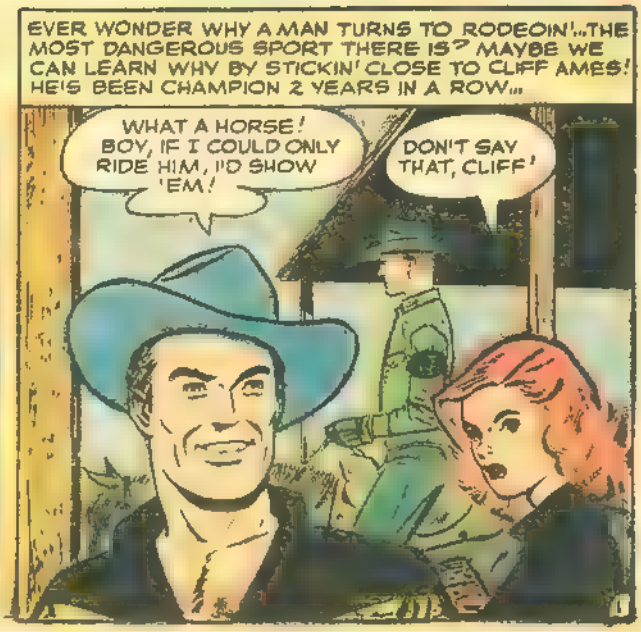

YUP, "THE BACKBREAKER" WAS A REAL HUNK OF BUCKIN' HORSE AN OUTLAW, WITH THE DISPOSITION OF A TIGER! WHEREVER RODEO FOLKS GATHERED, THE CONVERSATION ALWAYS TURNED TO THE BIG BLACK HORSE THEY SAID COULDN'T BE RODE!


EVER WONDER WHY A MAN TURNS TO RODEOIN'...THE MOST DANGEROUS SPORT THERE IS? MAYBE WE CAN LEARN WHY BY STICKIN' CLOSE TO CLIFF AMES! HE'S BEEN CHAMPION 2 YEARS IN A ROW...
WHAT A HORSE! BOY, IF I COULD ONLY RIDE HIM, I'D SHOW 'EM!
DON'T SAY THAT, CLIFF!

LISTEN POLLY, I'VE RIDDEN THEM ALL EXCEPT "THE BACK-BREAKER" SOME-DAY I'LL GET MY SHOT AT HIM!
THERE'S ALWAYS A HORSE OR A BRAHMA BULL THAT'S A CHALLENGE EVERY YEAR FOR FOUR YEARS NOW! THE CHAMPION CAN'T ADMIT THAT THERE'S AN ANIMAL THAT'S TOO TOUGH FOR HIM!
CUT IT OUT! I'M PROUD OF BEIN' CHAMP! IT'S PUTTIN' PLENTY OF DINERO IN OUR POCKETS FOR THAT RANCH WE'LL BUY ONE OF THESE DAYS!
YOU'VE BEEN RODEOING FOUR YEARS NOW, CLIFF! YOU STARTED AT A LATER AGE THAN MOST OF THE FELLOWS! YOU'RE TOO OLD!
TOO OLD? I'LL SHOW THESE YOUNG PUNKS I'M CHAMP AN'...
HOW LONG CAN YOU STAY CHAMP? HOW LONG CAN YOU TAKE THOSE BEATINGS OUT THERE! IT'S ONLY YOUR PRIDE THAT KEEPS YOU AT IT!
DON'T BE A NAGGIN' WIFE! I AIN'T STAYIN' TO LISTEN TO ANY MORE OF THIS STUFF!
I HOBBLED OVER TO POLLY AMES! ME? SHUCKS, I'M JUST AN OLD HAS-BEEN WHO DOES ODD JOBS AROUND! OH, I'D HAD MY SHARE OF GLORY... BUT THAT WAS LONG AGO.
CLIFF'S SURE RIDING HIGH, WIDE, AN' HANDSOME THESE DAYS, MIZ POLLY!
RIDING FOR A FALL, DUSTY!
WHEN WE WERE FIRST MARRIED HE TOOK TO RODEOING BECAUSE A $60 A MONTH COWPOKE COULD NEVER MAKE ENOUGH TO BUY THE RANCH WE WANTED! HE SAID A FEW PURSES WOULD DO IT! THEN WHEN HE TOOK A FEW PURSES, IT HAD TO BE A BIGGER RANCH!
NOW IT'S RODEOIN' ITSELF BEIN' A CHAMPION... THAT'S THE BIG THING! YUP, IT'S AN OLD STORY, MIZ POLLY!
EVERY TIME HE RIDES, A LITTLE BIT OF ME DIES! RIGHT NOW, I'LL BET HE'S OVER AT THE CORRALS LOOKING AT "THE BACKBREAKER"! HOW CAN I MAKE HIM QUIT, DUSTY?
MIZ POLLY, AIN'T NO USE CRYIN'! WHAT'S GOIN' TO BE IS JUST GOIN' TO BE!
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THAT'S WHERE YOU'D GENERALLY FIND CLIFF ALL RIGHT, WHEN HE WASN'T IN ANY EVENT... STANDIN' IN FRONT OF THAT BLACK DEVIL'S CORRAL ..
LIKE TO GET AT ME, EH, FELLER? SOMEDAY, YOU'LL GET THE CHANCE OUT THERE IN THE ARENA... THEN IT'LL BE JUST YOU AND ME... THE TWO CHAMPIONS!
CAN'T WAIT TO GET YOUR CHANCE TO THROW A LEG OVER THAT KILLER, EH CLIFF?
THAT'S RIGHT, OLD-TIMER! I'LL DRAW HIM ONE OF THESE DAYS, AND WHEN I DO, THE BOYS'LL SEE A REAL CONTEST!
BEIN' CHAMP TWO YEARS IN A ROW, I RECKON YOU'VE PILED UP A SIGHT OF PURSE MONEY!
I'VE DONE ALL RIGHT! IF YOU NEED A FEW BUCKS, DUSTY, I'D BE GLAD TO .
NAW, I DIDN'T ASK FOR THAT! CLIFF, WHY DON'T YOU GET OUT WHILE YOU'VE STILL GOT YOUR HEALTH? Y'KNOW I WAS TOP MAN ONCE! I FIGURED SAME AS YOU... KEEP ON, MAKE MORE MONEY... AIN'T NOTHIN' GONNA HAPPEN TO ME, BUT SOMETHIN' DID!
I WAS THE CHAMP! THEN IN CHEYENNE A BRONC THREW ME! TOOK ALL THE MONEY I'D WON TO KEEP ME ALIVE! LOOK WHAT HAPPENED TO ME...
THAT AIN'T GONNA HAPPEN TO ME! ANYWAY, I DON'T NEED ANY ADVICE FROM A BROKEN DOWN HAS-BEEN!
HEY, CLIFF, DID YOU GET YOUR NUMBER? IT'S POSTED OUTSIDE! YOU'VE DRAWN "THE BACKBREAKER" IN SADDLE BRONC!
THINK OF POLLY... DON'T.
AT LAST... YOU AND ME, BLACK DEVIL... YOU AND ME!
I FOLLOWED HIM OUT TO THE ARENA! THERE WAS NO STOPPIN' HIM NOW...
TAKE IT EASY, MIZ POLLY! REMEMBER, THERE AIN'T A HOSS THAT CAN'T BE RODE!
OR A COWBOY WHO CAN'T BE THROWN! I HATE THAT HORSE... HATE AND FEAR HIM!
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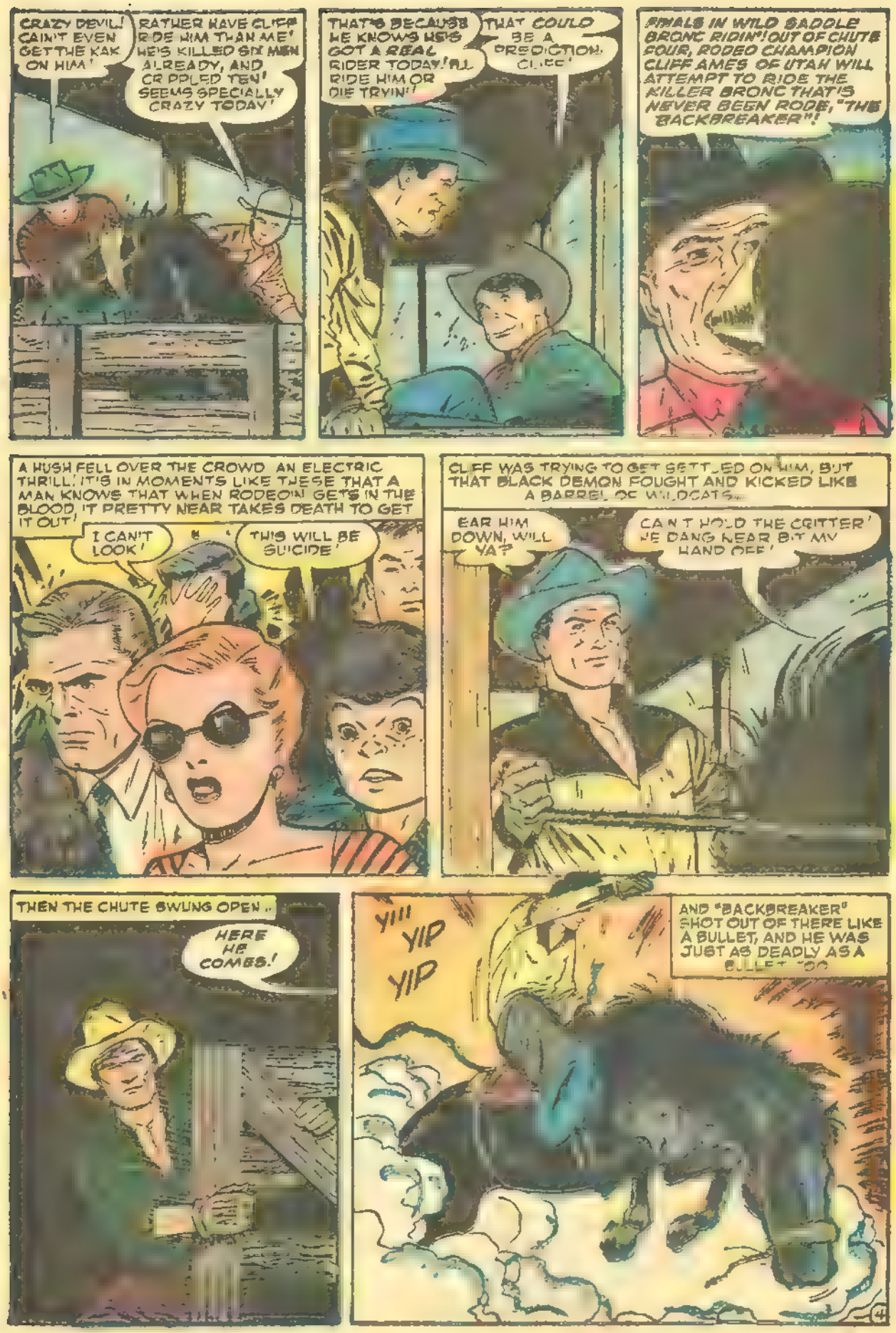
CRAZY DEVIL! CAIN'T EVEN GET THE KAK ON HIM!
RATHER HAVE CLIFF RIDE HIM THAN ME! HE'S KILLED SIX MEN ALREADY, AND CRIPPLED TEN! SEEMS SPECIALLY CRAZY TODAY!
THAT'S BECAUSE HE KNOWS HE'S GOT A REAL RIDER TODAY! I'LL RIDE HIM OR DIE TRYIN'!
THAT COULD BE A PREDICTION, CLIFF!
FINALS IN WILD SADDLE BRONC RIDIN'! OUT OF CHUTE FOUR, RODEO CHAMPION CLIFF AMES OF UTAH WILL ATTEMPT TO RIDE THE KILLER BRONC THAT IS NEVER BEEN RODE, "THE BACKBREAKER"!
A HUSH FELL OVER THE CROWD. AN ELECTRIC THRILL! IT'S IN MOMENTS LIKE THESE THAT A MAN KNOWS THAT WHEN RODEOIN' GETS IN THE BLOOD, IT PRETTY NEAR TAKES DEATH TO GET IT OUT!
I CAN'T LOOK!
THIS WILL BE SUICIDE!
CLIFF WAS TRYING TO GET SETTLED ON HIM, BUT THAT BLACK DEMON FOUGHT AND KICKED LIKE A BARREL OF WILDCATS...
EAR HIM DOWN, WILL YA?
CAN'T HOLD THE CRITTER! HE DANG NEAR BIT MY HAND OFF!
THEN THE CHUTE SWUNG OPEN...
HERE HE COMES!
YIII YIP YIP
AND "BACKBREAKER" SHOT OUT OF THERE LIKE A BULLET, AND HE WAS JUST AS DEADLY AS A BULLET TOO
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HE WHIRLED! CLIFF'S HEAD SNAPPED AND BLOOD STARTED RUNNIN' OUT OF HIS NOSE AND MOUTH! IT WAS EASY TO SEE WHY THE DEVIL WAS CALLED "THE BACKBREAKER"..

HOORAY! WOW! YAHOO!

THERE WAS DAYLIGHT BETWEEN CLIFF AND THE SADDLE.. HIS HEAD WAS ROLLIN'! THEN THE BRONC SWAPPED ENDS AND CLIFF SMASHED TO THE ARENA DIRT..

CLIFF! CLIFF!

STAND BACK HERE! HOW IS HE, DOC?

LUCKY FELLER! HE'LL BE STIFF FOR A FEW DAYS, BUT THAT'S ALL!

THEN HE'LL BE ABLE TO RIDE BY SATURDAY!

NOT ME, COLONEL, I'M THROUGH RODEOIN' AS OF NOW! QUITTIN' WHILE I'M STILL CHAMP AND STILL HAVE MY HEALTH!

SEEMED LIKE IT TOOK A YEAR WHILE I WAS FOOLIN' THROUGH THE AIR AND I DID SOME THINKING DURING THAT TIME! IT ALL SUMMED UP TO THE FACT THAT I THINK IT'S TIME FOR ME TO GIVE THE OTHER BOYS A CHANCE AT THE BIG DOUGH! I'VE GOT ENOUGH FOR MY RANCH AN' THAT'S ALL I WANT.. MY RANCH AND MY WIFE!

BY THE WAY, COLONEL, THE BACK-BREAKER WON'T BE GOOD FOR ANOTHER SEASON! HE'S NEARLY STOVE IN NOW! I'D LIKE TO BUY HIM AN TURN HIM LOOSE ON MY RANCH TO GRAZE FOR THE REST OF HIS LIFE! I RECKON I OWE HIM A KINDNESS!

OH, PLEASE, COLONEL, SELL HIM TO US! I *LOVE* THAT HORSE LIKE I'VE NEVER LOVED ANYTHING BEFORE IN MY LIFE!

YUP, I SAW THEM DRIVE AWAY WITH THAT BIG BLACK DEVIL TIED UP IN THE BACK! I HOPE HE GETS SOME SENSE SOMEDAY LIKE CLIFF DID! I WAVED GOOD-BYE... THREE CHAMPIONS.. A HORSE A MAN, AN' I GUESS A BODY COULD SAY THAT LITTLE WOMAN WAS THE *BIGGEST* CHAMPION OF THEM ALL!

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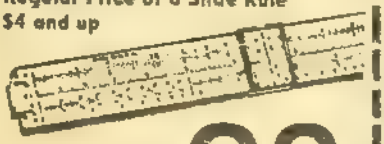

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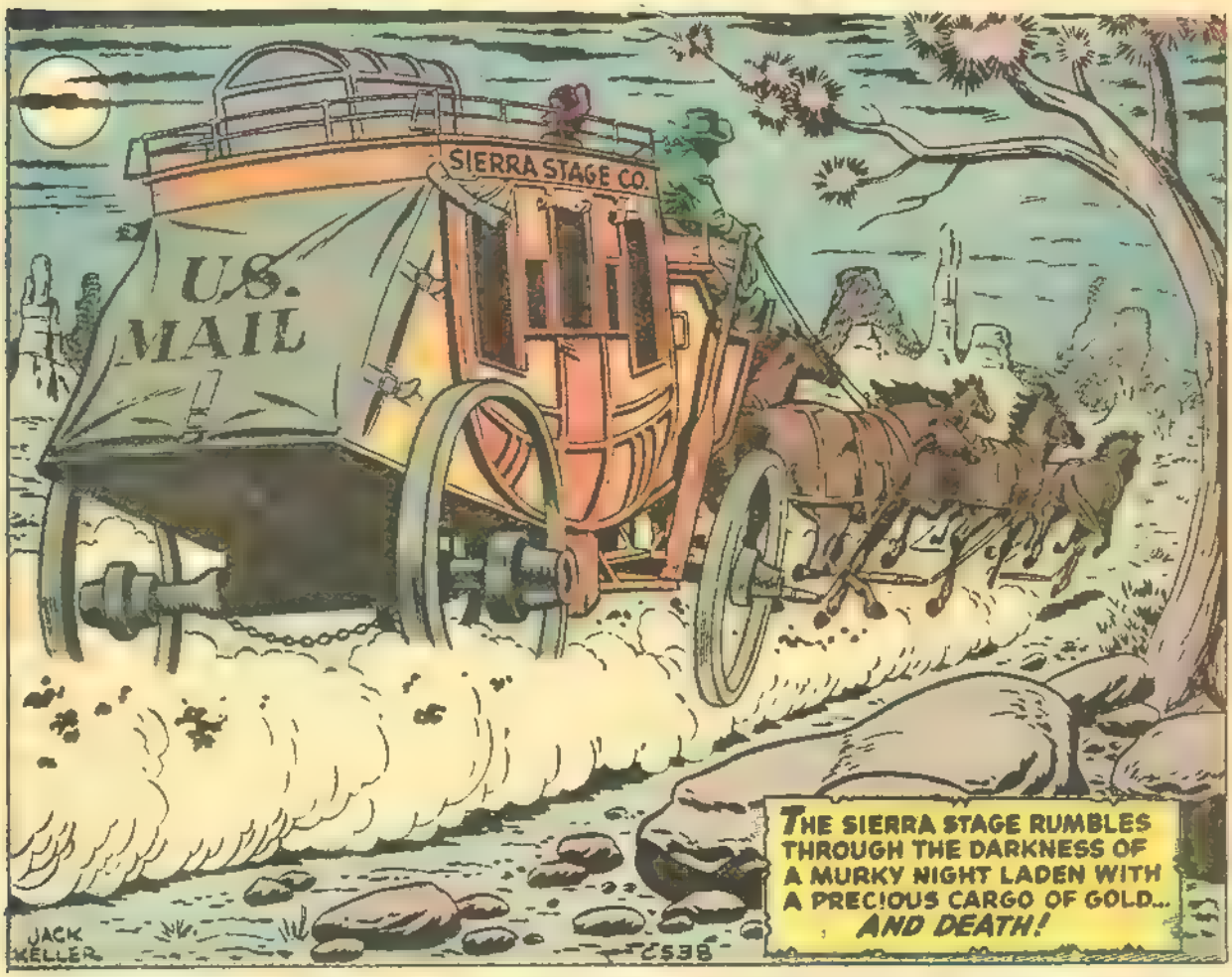
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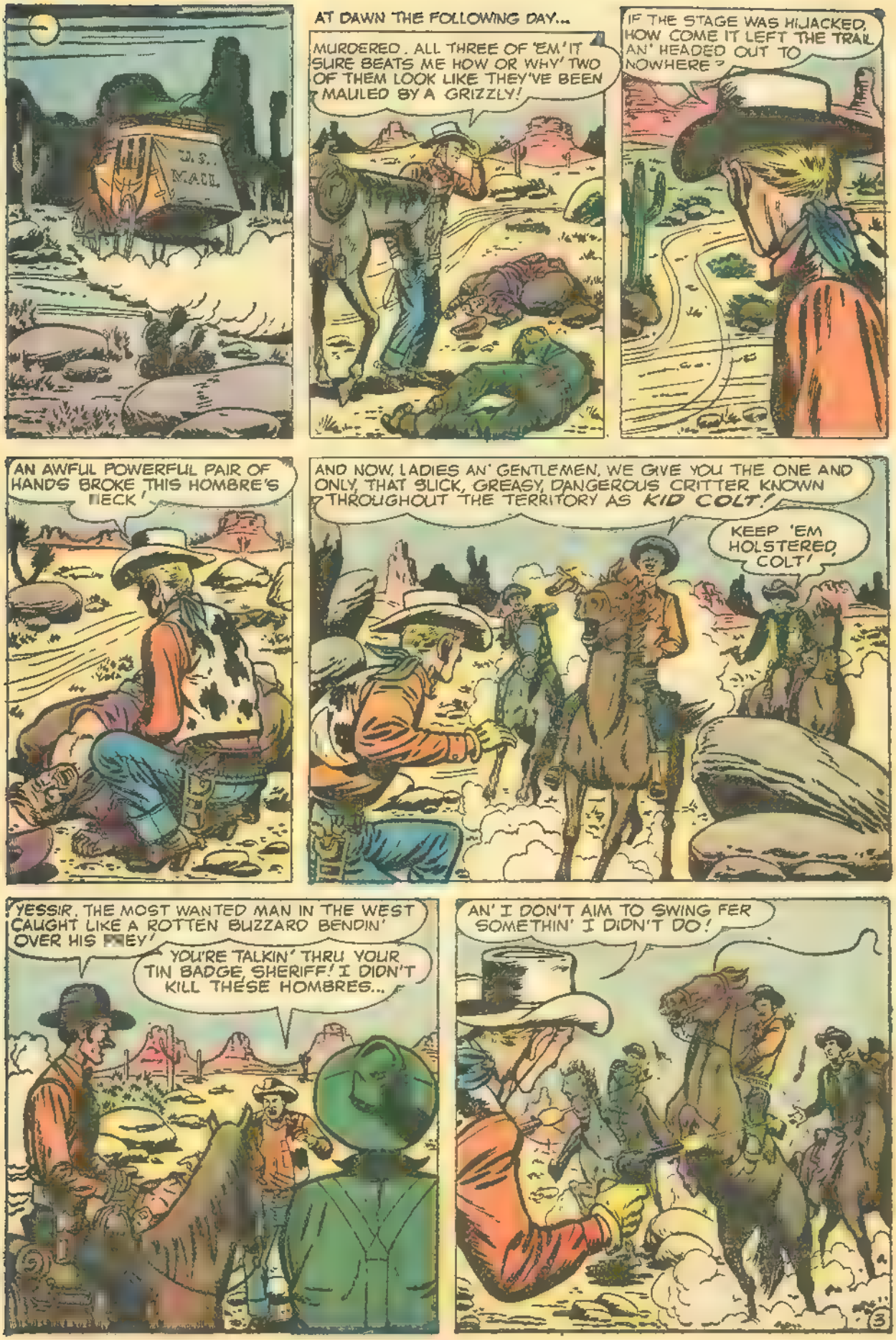
IT'S NONE OF MY BUSINESS, SIR . BUT IS SOMETHING WRONG ? YOU HAVEN T SAID A WORD SINCE WE LEFT GREASEWOOD JUNCTION!
F YOU DON'T WISH TO TALK, THAT'S YOUR AFFAIR! I'D LIKE TO SEE YOUR FACE SO I'LL KNOW WHO TO AVOID NEXT TIME WE MEET!

WH... NO! NO!
GRRRRR! UNGH!
SIE A STAGE
HEY... WHAT IN TARNATION?
UNNNGH .. URGH!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AT DAWN THE FOLLOWING DAY...
MURDERED. ALL THREE OF 'EM! IT SURE BEATS ME HOW OR WHY! TWO OF THEM LOOK LIKE THEY'VE BEEN MAULED BY A GRIZZLY!
IF THE STAGE WAS HIJACKED, HOW COME IT LEFT THE TRAIL AN' HEADED OUT TO NOWHERE?
AN AWFUL POWERFUL PAIR OF HANDS BROKE THIS HOMBRE'S NECK!
AND NOW, LADIES AN' GENTLEMEN, WE GIVE YOU THE ONE AND ONLY, THAT SLICK, GREASY, DANGEROUS CRITTER KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY AS KID COLT!
KEEP 'EM HOLSTERED, COLT!
YESSIR, THE MOST WANTED MAN IN THE WEST CAUGHT LIKE A ROTTEN BUZZARD BENDIN' OVER HIS [illegible]EY!
YOU'RE TALKIN' THRU YOUR TIN BADGE, SHERIFF! I DIDN'T KILL THESE HOMBRES...
AN' I DON'T AIM TO SWING FER SOMETHIN' I DIDN'T DO!
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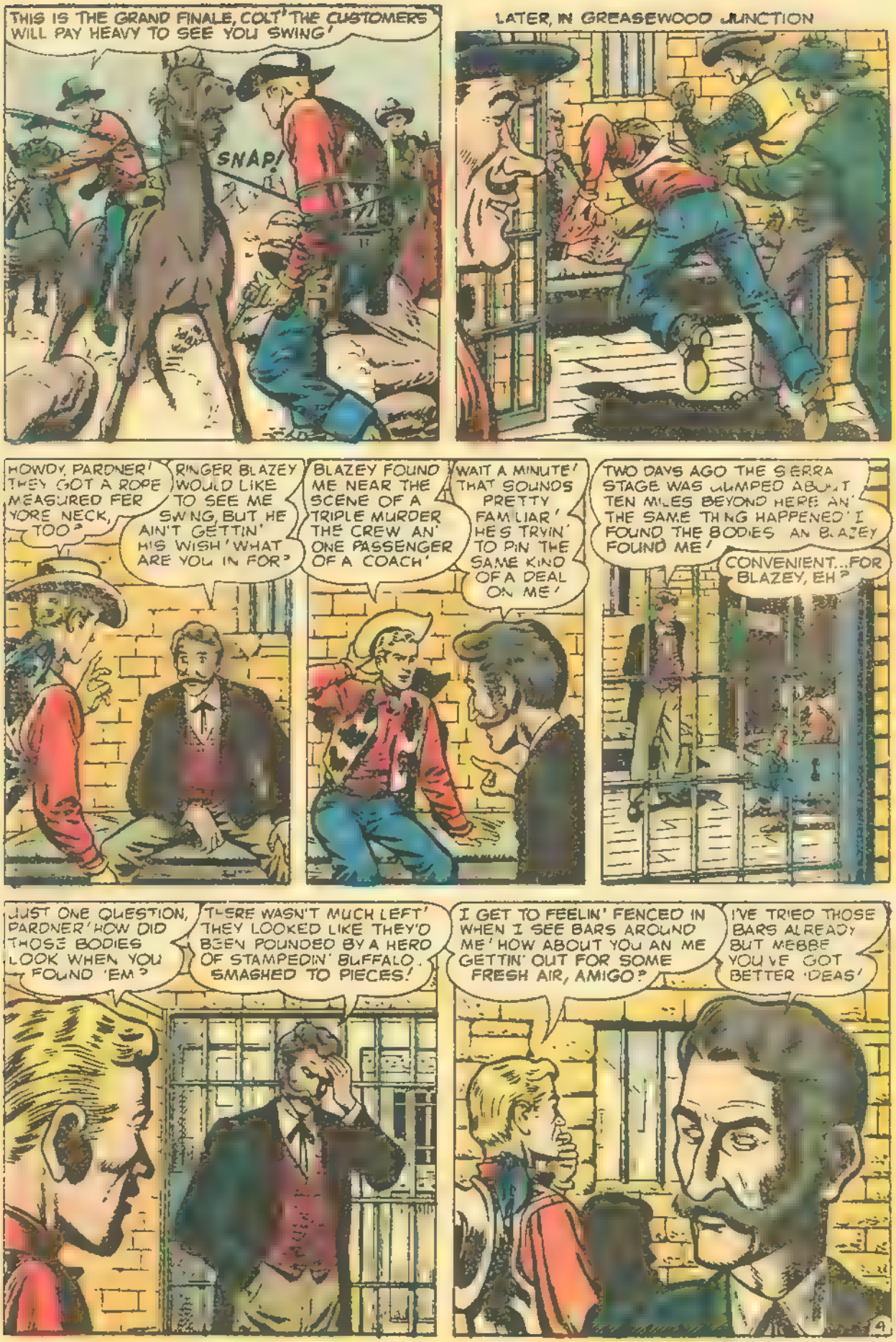
THIS IS THE GRAND FINALE, COLT! THE CUSTOMERS WILL PAY HEAVY TO SEE YOU SWING!
SNAP!
LATER, IN GREASEWOOD JUNCTION
HOWDY, PARDNER! THEY GOT A ROPE MEASURED FER YORE NECK, TOO?
RINGER BLAZEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE ME SWING, BUT HE AIN'T GETTIN' HIS WISH! WHAT ARE YOU IN FOR?
BLAZEY FOUND ME NEAR THE SCENE OF A TRIPLE MURDER THE CREW AN' ONE PASSENGER OF A COACH!
WAIT A MINUTE! THAT SOUNDS PRETTY FAMILIAR! HE'S TRYIN' TO PIN THE SAME KIND OF A DEAL ON ME!
TWO DAYS AGO THE SIERRA STAGE WAS DUMPED ABOUT TEN MILES BEYOND HERE AN' THE SAME THING HAPPENED! I FOUND THE BODIES AN BLAZEY FOUND ME!
CONVENIENT...FOR BLAZEY, EH?
JUST ONE QUESTION, PARDNER! HOW DID THOSE BODIES LOOK WHEN YOU FOUND 'EM?
THERE WASN'T MUCH LEFT! THEY LOOKED LIKE THEY'D BEEN POUNDED BY A HERD OF STAMPEDIN' BUFFALO. SMASHED TO PIECES!
I GET TO FEELIN' FENCED IN WHEN I SEE BARS AROUND ME! HOW ABOUT YOU AN ME GETTIN' OUT FOR SOME FRESH AIR, AMIGO?
I'VE TRIED THOSE BARS ALREADY BUT MEBBE YOU'VE GOT BETTER 'IDEAS'
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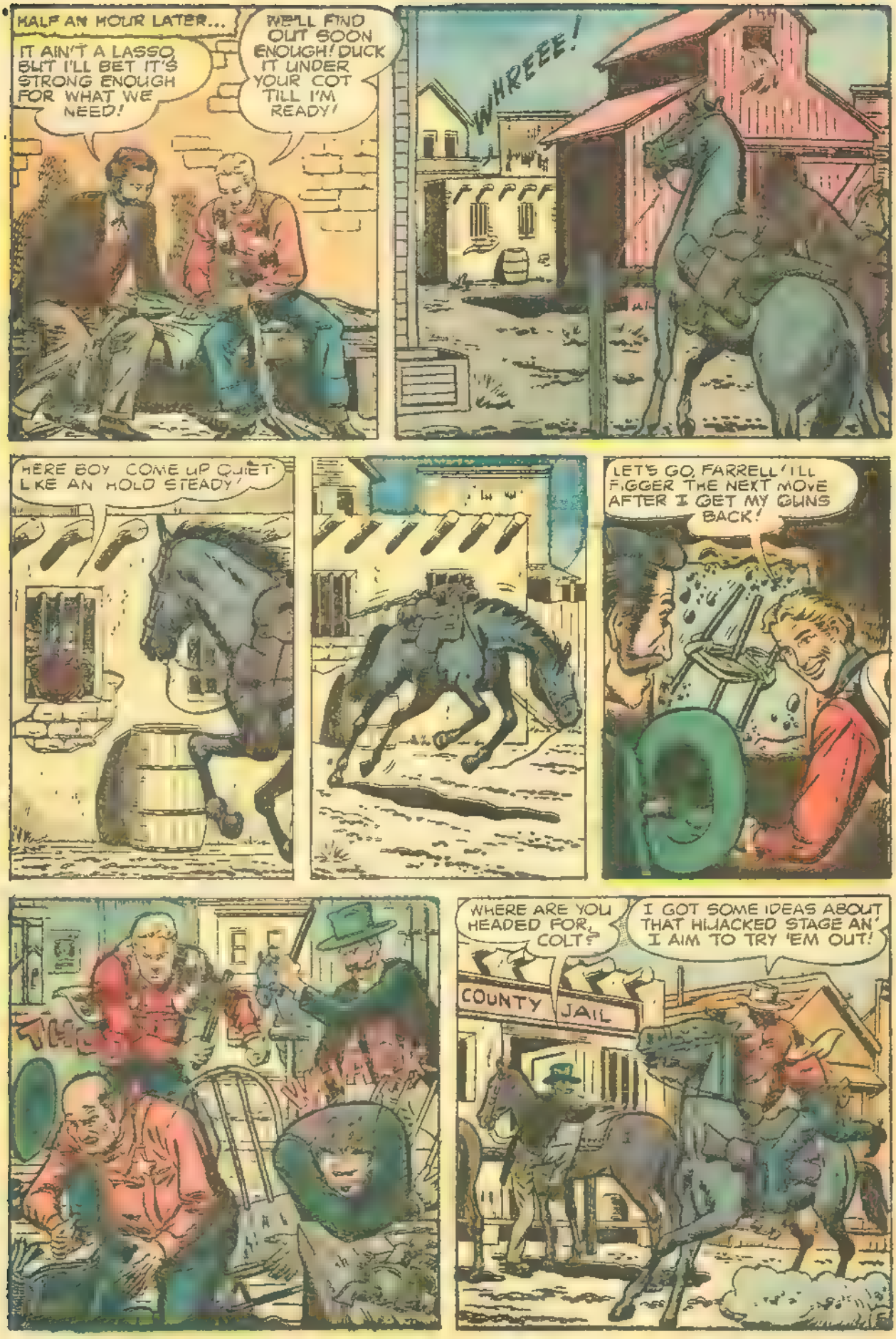
HALF AN HOUR LATER...
IT AIN'T A LASSO BUT I'LL BET IT'S STRONG ENOUGH FOR WHAT WE NEED!
WE'LL FIND OUT SOON ENOUGH! DUCK IT UNDER YOUR COT TILL I'M READY!
WHREEE!
HERE BOY COME UP QUIET LKE AN HOLD STEADY
LET'S GO, FARRELL! I'LL F.GGER THE NEXT MOVE AFTER I GET MY GUNS BACK!
WHERE ARE YOU HEADED FOR, COLT?
I GOT SOME IDEAS ABOUT THAT HIJACKED STAGE AN' I AIM TO TRY 'EM OUT!
COUNTY JAIL

NOBODY NOTICED THE STEEL-GREY STALLION WHO FOLLOWED THE SIERRA STAGE OUT OF GREASEWOOD JUNCTION

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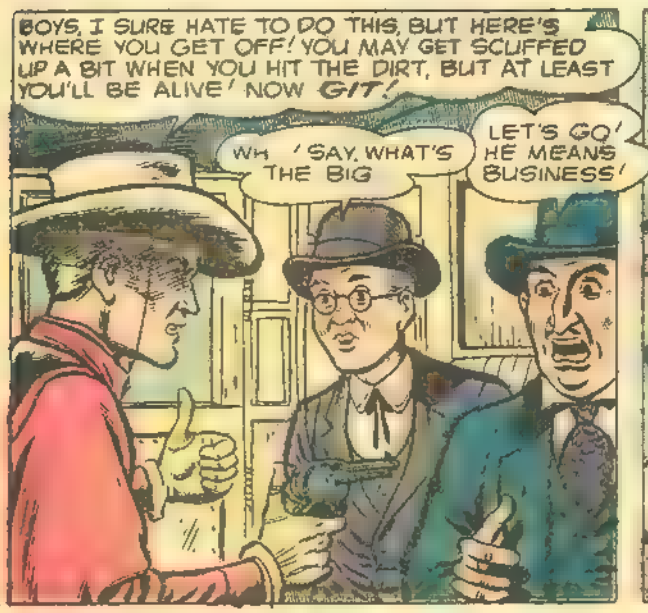
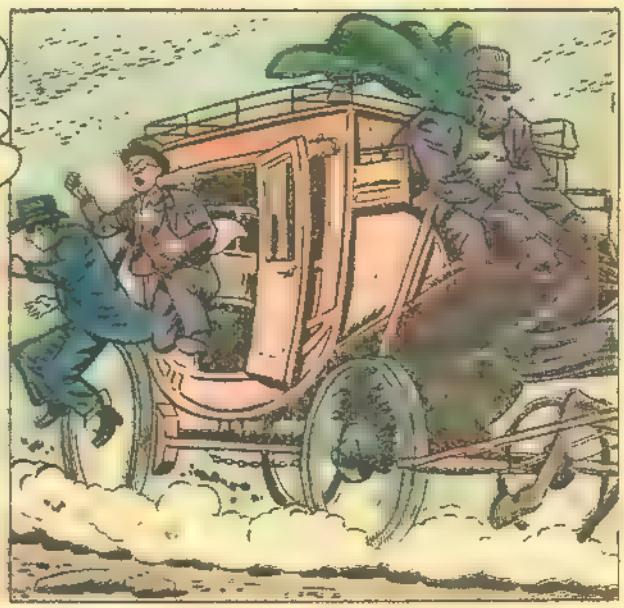
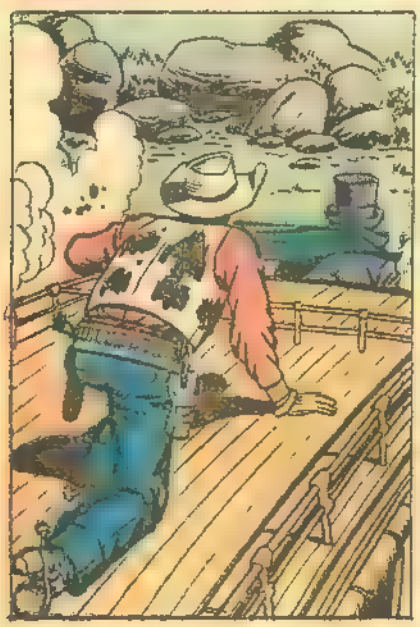

BOYS, I SURE HATE TO DO THIS, BUT HERE'S WHERE YOU GET OFF! YOU MAY GET SCUFFED UP A BIT WHEN YOU HIT THE DIRT, BUT AT LEAST YOU'LL BE ALIVE! NOW GIT!
WH-'SAY, WHAT'S THE BIG
LET'S GO! HE MEANS BUSINESS!





A MIGHTY ARM CRUSHES WITH PARALYZING STRENGTH ON THE OUTLAW'S NECK AS THE WORLD SUDDENLY BLURS AND CONSCIOUSNESS EBBS...

HALF AN HOUR LATER, IN A HIDDEN ARROYO..
DOWN, TOTO! BLAST YOUR HIDE! HOW MANY TIMES DO I TELL YOU NEVER TO BRING ANY CARCASSES BACK HERE! GET OFF, YOU BRAINLESS SWINE!
URRRGH!
TOTO THE GREAT, EH? TOTO, THE WONDER APE OF THE WORLD! I'LL TEACH YOU TO OBEY ORDERS LIKE I DID WHEN I HAD YOU IN THE RING!
DOWN, TOTO! BACK.. BACK, I SAY!
GRRRRR! GRRRR!
WHRAM
WHRAM
WHRAM
WHRAM
WAL, THERE'S OUR PAIR OF HIJACKERS.. AN APE AN' HIS BOSS!
AS A WELLS FARGO SPECIAL AGENT, I'VE BEEN ON THEIR TRAIL A LONG TIME! YOU'RE RATED HIGH ON OUR BOOKS, KID! CONGRATULATIONS!

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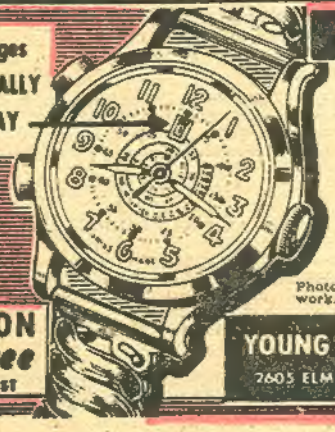

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